

EDUCATIONAL.
CLASSES IN BELLES-LETTRES.
The ladies of the Richmond Association of Belles-Lettres, have arranged to hold a series of classes in the study of the classics, during the winter season. The classes will be held on Wednesdays, from 7 to 9 o'clock, at the residence of Mrs. J. M. G. Smith, 1015 North Main street. The subjects to be studied are: Greek and Latin, French and Italian, English Literature, and the History of the Middle Ages. The classes are free of charge, and all ladies are invited to attend. For further information, apply to the Association, 1015 North Main street.

CLASSES IN ENGLISH.
MISS DANIEL.
302 EAST GRACE STREET.
For the coming school season of 1886-87, I desire to form a class of girls between the ages of ten and fifteen, to study the English language, grammar, composition, and the history of the United States. The classes will be held on Wednesdays, from 7 to 9 o'clock, at my residence, 302 East Grace street. The classes are free of charge, and all girls are invited to attend. For further information, apply to Miss Daniel, 302 East Grace street.

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LOCAL MATTERS.
MEETING OF THE GROUND AND BUILDING COMMITTEE.
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PERSONALS AND BRIEFS.
Hon. George D. Wise in the city.
The Committee on Health transacted routine business in the Council Chamber last night.

The Exchange Hotel and Ballard House are receiving a beautiful dressing with white paint.
Hon. John L. Buchanan, Superintendent of Public Instruction, has gone to Abingdon.

The Reformer will be delayed six hours to-day on account of an accident in making up the forms.
Captain E. Leslie Spence, of E. B. Spence & Son, has left for New York on business.

Rev. Dr. A. E. Dickinson has returned from the Augusta District Baptist Association.
Mr. C. Emmett Hill, with a force of hands, is engaged in making water connection with the houses on Pine street south of Cary street.

Jim Saunders (colored) was delivered at the penitentiary yesterday from Cumberland county to serve fifteen years for murder in the second degree.
The Governor has pardoned David Breen, who was sent to the penitentiary from Page county several years ago.

Forty or more citizens have been summoned to appear before the Police Justice to show cause why they should not be fined for allowing city water to waste on their premises.
Councilman Bland has made a small iron pick, tipped with steel, which he used to break the ground on the City Hall lot Wednesday.

Rev. H. A. Tupper, D. D., has returned from Salford, Mexico, and is now at Bethlehem, N. H.
The new street from Ninth to the Virginia Paper Mills, between Woodward and Lombard streets, and the new bridge, has been open for several days. The grade is quite heavy, but the thoroughfare is a nice one.

Through respect to the memory of Mrs. Richardson, wife of Police-Justice D. C. Richardson, who died Tuesday evening, and whose funeral took place yesterday afternoon, no session of the Police Court was held yesterday.
The Attorneys Guard (Captain Emmett Scott) and the State Guard (Captain A. Paul) are making arrangements to entertain Company L of the Sixth Massachusetts regiment, of Boston, who will visit this city the 13th of September.

The money that will come from all sources to run the public schools of the Commonwealth for the next fiscal year, is estimated, will amount to about \$600,000. The entire appropriation has not been made out yet, as it is not required until the 15th of September.
Elorence Mitchell, the woman who created such an excitement at the corner of Seventh and Broad streets Thursday night by saying that she had taken landum to kill herself, and who was taken to the almshouse, was doing well yesterday.

The body of an infant was found floating in the river opposite the old sugar refinery yesterday morning by some boys who were bathing. It was taken ashore, and Coroner Taylor, who was notified, viewed the body, and he had no marks of foul play, he had it buried.
Among the persons registered at the Grain and Cotton Exchange yesterday were N. H. Holmes, Montgomery, Ala.; Colonel William T. Harris, Louisville, Ky.; Robert W. Gooch, land county, Va.; R. P. Harnberger and J. B. White, Rockingham county, Va.; J. W. Ellison and J. F. Templeton, Waynesboro, Va.

Important to Physicians.
The following extract from the act of the Legislature regulating the practice of medicine and surgery in Virginia is of interest to physicians who have passed the Board of Medical Examiners created by that act:

MOSS WAS RUNNING DOWN THE STREET with a large knife in his hand, and accidentally ran against the woman and cut her thumb. The boy was arrested.
About 12 o'clock the ambulance was called to Mr. James P. Gunn's lumberyard, on Main street near Twenty-second, to haul Perkins (colored), who was overcome by heat. He was taken to his home, corner of Twenty-fourth and Harrison streets.

SHOT BY HIS FRIEND.
Reuben Ford shoots James Stanley while handling a gun.

Thursday evening four youths—James Stanley, Charles Smith, Reuben Ford, and Charles Godsey—went up the Chesapeake and Ohio road in the neighborhood of Humlet, five miles from Richmond, on a hunting expedition. They spent the night in the neighborhood, and early yesterday morning went out squirrel-hunting. As the day grew warmer they returned from hunting and loitered around in the shade. While there they began frolicking, and the result was that Stanley got quite badly shot. He gives the following account of the shooting occurred: He and the other three boys were playing, and Stanley was holding a gun. He shot at Smith in the same manner, but none of them were hurt. When Ford shot at Stanley the latter threw a rock at the former and knocked his powder-flask loose. All of the boys' leaders their guns ready for hunting, and Stanley, Smith, and Godsey lay down. Ford commenced playing with the gun, and all of the boys were loaded. Ford continued to handle the gun, and, pointing it at Stanley's back, fired, the lead taking effect in the inner side of the thigh and the scrotum. Stanley was unable to cry when the shooting was accidental or intentional.

As soon as the shooting occurred Smith and Ford started to run, but Godsey stopped them and had them be physicians. Upon his arrival he found Stanley, dressed the wound, telegraphed to Richmond for the ambulance to meet Stanley, fixed a stretcher, put him on the train, and paid the expenses of him and his companions home. The City ambulance—Dr. Smith in charge—met Stanley at the Chesapeake and Ohio depot and took him to the residence of his aunt, with whom he lives, in the third story of 116 and a half Broad street. He was carried to the almshouse, but his aunt objected. When the train passed the grain elevator, some distance from the depot at Richmond, Smith and Ford jumped off. The latter was subsequently arrested on the charge of shooting Stanley, with intent to kill, and was locked up at the First police-station. He will be before the Police Court this morning. Stanley's wounds are painful, but not considered dangerous.

"BON AIR" SOLD.
A committee of bondholders purchased this property for \$11,500.
"Bon Air," a very popular summer resort, situated on the Richmond and Danville road about eight miles from Richmond, was sold at public auction, yesterday afternoon.

The sale was made by virtue of a decree of the Richmond Chancery Court, entered on the 17th day of July, 1886, in the case of Buford and others vs. The Buford Land and Improvement Company et al., in which Messrs. Jackson Guy, John Ott, Robert Stiles, and M. G. Gilliam were appointed special commissioners.
A special train furnished by the Danville company, free of charge, left here at 3:45 P. M. to convey persons to the sale, which took place at 4:30 o'clock. The crowd which attended the sale was very large, and the property was sold for \$11,500.

The property consists of a large and commodious hotel, well equipped; a cottage adjoining, with twenty rooms; 12.62 acres of land, picnic grounds, &c. The place is several hundred feet above Richmond, and the atmosphere is cool and refreshing. The sale of property will not take place until after October 1st, the expiration of the present lease on the property, at which time possession of the hotel and other property will be given.

The terms of the sale were one-fourth cash, and the balance in equal installments on credits of six, twelve, and eighteen months, the purchaser giving negotiable notes for the deferred payments, and title retained until all the purchase-money is paid—with option given the purchaser to pay all cash.
The Postmaster-General is introducing for sale at the principal post-offices of the country "The United States Letter-Sheet Envelope," a unique device for correspondence through the mails. It is a combination in one of a letter-sheet, envelope, and the new postage-stamp of the denomination of two cents, bearing the military portrait of General Grant.

The Academy of Music.
Commencing next Tuesday, the Academy of Music will be reopened for daily and nightly performances during the coming season. Bessie Grey, of Opera Company will be the attraction. The Academy will be under the supervision of the season will doubtless be a prosperous one.

Rev. Thomas Needham will give another Bible-reading to the young men in the parlors of the Young Men's Christian Association to-morrow afternoon at quarter to 4 o'clock. His subject will be "The Lamb of God." The music will be led by a cornet, flute, and violin, in addition to the organ. All young men are cordially invited.
The Nonconformist Matters.
The Common Council and Fire Department met last night to consider the question of purchasing a steam fire engine. Proposals were received which will be favorably recommended to the Council at a meeting to be called for next Friday night.

The Elliot Grays' committee met last night and perfected arrangements for the 100th anniversary of the battle of the Clouds. A most appetizing bill of fare was prepared.
The committee appointed by Manchester Lodge of Masons to arrange for the proper celebration of the one-hundredth anniversary of the lodge have not yet arranged a programme for the occasion, but will do so in the course of a few days.

This will be a big event in the history of Manchester Masonry.
Mr. Arthur Snellings returned from the re-shore yesterday morning. The lawn-party being conducted at Mrs. Clarke's yard by the ladies of the Meade-Memorial church will close to-night.

Postponement.
In consequence of the inability of a sufficient number of the members of the Association to attend the proposed excursion on the steamer Norwood by the Young Men's Christian Association Outing Club will not occur this evening. The committee hope to be able to arrange a similar trip in the future.

It Was General Harry Maury Who Shot the Frenchman at Mobile.
Many years ago a young Virginian named Henry Maury went to Mobile to seek his fortune. Handsome, remarkably bright and winning, and of an engaging personality, he was sought after by the ladies of the city, and he became a very popular young man of his day.

When but little over twenty-one years old, in a time of extraordinary public excitement, Maury was made marshal of the city of Mobile, and by his personal prowess suppressed a dangerous riot, capturing with his own hands the ringleaders.
During the days of the filibusters he took an active part with them, and, being a skillful seaman, took command of the bark Susan to transport some hundreds of recruits to Walker in Nicaragua. The United States Government forbade him to leave the harbor of Mobile, and ordered a revenue cutter to stop him by force if necessary. The United States marshal boarded the Susan and served him with a writ of habeas corpus. Maury's compliance, took the marshal into his cabin, and so entertained him that he sent his boat back to the cutter and decided to stay with Maury all night, that being the surest way to prevent any attempt at evasion. When he came on deck in the morning he was of sight of land, on the way to Nicaragua. But when two days out Maury put him on board a homeward-bound vessel, with a courteous letter of explanation to Mr. Maury.

On the return of this expedition to Mobile a young Frenchman, known as Captain Le Riviere, made himself conspicuous in society. He had been in the zouaves and wore several decorations for gallantry, but it was said he had been dismissed from the French army. He became more intimate with some of Maury's lady friends than was agreeable to him, and so departed he left a personal record was arranged between them. They were to take them to the field. Two of the most eminent surgeons of the city and a score or two of gentlemen went along to see the duel. At the first fire Maury's ball struck the Frenchman about his middle and doubled him up.

He was carried back to the hotel, and, while doing so, endeavored to reach his pistol and steal a quick shot at Maury, who was standing with his weapon lowered awaiting the result of his first shot. He detected the Frenchman in his trick, and shot him in the face before he could execute it. The first ball was found flattened and mangled by some hard substance, which had stopped it, and it was believed the Frenchman had worn mail. He was taken to the house of a prominent gentleman of Mobile, where he was tenderly nursed by the wife and beautiful daughter of his host for some weeks, when, to the wonder of the community, the Frenchman, with his hosts and her daughter, all eloped together.

Some years after Captain de Riviere became Marquis de Riviere, and with his beautiful marchioness figured in the most fashionable circles of Paris. Harry Maury became a distinguished officer of the Confederate army, was several times severely wounded, and some years after the war died from the effects of a wound received through the lungs during Johnston's fighting with Sherman at Jackson, Miss. He was appointed adjutant-general of the army, and was a very successful soldier. He was a very successful soldier. He was a very successful soldier.

Some interesting particulars are published by M. Paul Leroy-Beaulieu in the Economiste Francaise with regard to the manufacture and consumption of tobacco in France. He quotes official figures, which show that while the quantity of tobacco grown in France itself was about 10,000 tons in 1850, it has now nearly doubled that quantity, while the revenue which the State derives from it has increased from \$3,550,000 to nearly \$13,000,000. In other words, while the quantity of tobacco grown has only doubled, the profits of the State, or, in other words, of the manufacturers, have nearly quadrupled. The great increase in profits is explained by M. Paul Leroy-Beaulieu on the ground that the expense of manufacturing an additional quantity of tobacco is not anything like that of the first establishment of plant and material. The cultivation and manufacture of tobacco has been a Government monopoly since 1674, and, with the exception of a brief interlude during the Revolution, has remained so ever since. In this connection the following figures showing the quantity of tobacco consumed in the different countries of Europe, and the rate per 100 inhabitants is, according to him, as follows: Spain, 110 pounds; Italy, 128 pounds; Great Britain, 138 pounds; Russia, 182 pounds; Hungary, 207 pounds; France, 210 pounds; Denmark, 224 pounds; Norway, 229 pounds; Austria, 273 pounds; Germany, 356 pounds; Holland, 418 pounds, and Belgium, 500 pounds. In other words, while in some little more than one pound per head is consumed, nearly double that quantity is consumed in France, three times as much in Germany, four times as much in Holland, and five times as much in Belgium.

Business Failures.
New York, August 27.—The business failures occurring throughout the country during last week number for the United States 171, Canada 30—total 201; against 186 last week and 157 the week previous. The increase observable this week arises mainly in Canada. The business casualties in the Eastern, Southern, and Middle States continue light.

FORTY FEET DOWN.
WONDERFUL DIVING FEATS OF THE TORPEDO-BOAT PEACEMAKER.
Plunging beneath a River Steamer—Immense crowds of People Look On.

(New York Herald.)
A great throng of people, having read in the Herald of a reporter's experience on the submarine boat Peacemaker on Tuesday last, gathered along the North-river bank at Eighty-sixth street yesterday to witness the public exhibition of the diver's remarkable powers. They were entertained for more than two hours watching the strange craft scurrying over the river's surface before she dived and speculating where she would reappear from its depths.

After the moon had made a preliminary dash to cool off, with Captain John Holland and Engineer John Klyne on board, a Herald reporter embarked as a passenger to the submarine device. The start was made amid the "good-byes" of a number of interested gentlemen on the tugboat Chance Shot. Laying her course toward the New Jersey shore, the Peacemaker went along merrily, her pilot's dome and the hatch-covers catching the waves that a brisk breeze sent over the waters. When well under way Pilot Holland gave a cautionary signal and then called for "full speed." The throb of the engine sounded pleasantly where the reporter sat "holding down" a pile of pig-iron ballast, and the whirr of the screw coupling created a first-class local breeze which cooled the air close by him, though no part of the cabin was very warm.

With everything working easily, the dive was begun. The last ray of Old Sol streamed in through the cage and made a dancing picture on the wall. Then the waves put a stop to this, and as the boat sought the depths the interior grew darker every moment, until not even a reflection helped the artificial lights to dispel the gloom. The passengers did not get any of this gloom, though they could see it. Engineer Klyne was overlooking his machinery as unconcerned as though he were on board a pleasure-yacht instead of under the water in an engine of destruction. By and by he began chatting with the reporter, telling him how Holland and himself got out of the Peacemaker when she was sunk in fifty feet of water recently.

POOLING THE PEOPLE ON SHORE.
"We'll go up the river, I guess," volunteered the pilot, calmly. "The dial says we're twenty-five feet down." The boat's head was brought around the ninety degrees, and she sped up the river with the strong current at more than eight miles an hour. The minutes passed quickly. The dial marked intervals thirty, thirty-five, thirty-seven, then forty feet below the uneasy water at the surface of the Hudson. The crew revolved at the dizzy speed of 320 times a minute, and the propeller's velocity actually made the cucumber-shaped craft rock slightly as it beat the resisting waters. Then it was found that the lid of the hatch had been found, and the water at forty feet depth caused it to find the leaks. A shower bath was the result, and the reporter got it upon his head. Quickly moving out under the icy cold streams he sat down by the engineer and wondered whether the shell would come to collapse. It didn't, but the downfall of water continued until the boat came to the surface.

This event occurred twenty minutes after the admiring crowds on shore lost sight of the boat, and to their astonishment, when they were looking for her to rise somewhere across the river, her stern shot into view over two miles up the stream.
DIVING UNDER A STEAMER.
Ten feet east lay a flotilla of cable-boats. A wonder-struck deck-hand peered over the side of one of them. "I could hang a hat on this fellow's eyes," shouted the pilot from his lookout.

The diver returned slowly down the river, crossed to the shore off Weehawken Heights and then headed towards the New York side.
"A steamer is coming up the river," said Pilot Holland to the passenger, who couldn't see out. Then, in a moment more, these sentences were uttered in a sharp, eager tone of voice: "She's the City of Kingston; she's coming across our bows. We'll go under her. Give her all you've got."

DOWN UNDER A STEAMER.
This last meant full speed; she got it instantly. The little terror fairly jumped above the water, and, after giving a shrill blast of defiance on her whistle, her stern went under, and the Peacemaker slid out of sight at a tremendous inclination. This dive was intended to show people how she was expected to act in a real charge on the enemy. The reporter almost slid forward to the bows, so acute was the incline of the boat. It needed no exertion to get out from under that same old shower-bath, but rather a trial to keep off the engine. Down, down she went, till she seemed as if the black yelous little steel fish would stick her nose in the mud on the bottom. The boat was quivering under the pressure of her engine. At last the Peacemaker, under control of the horizontal rudders, stopped descending, settled evenly on her keel, and glided across the river.

WHERE THEY COULD HOLD HER UP.
"Thirty-seven feet deep," said Holland. It only required a few seconds to cover the distance, but to the single passenger it seemed a great deal longer.

"I see the shadow of the Kingston over now," called out the pilot, his hands holding the levers to both sets of rudders and keeping the boat steady; "and here's about where we would reappear to blow her out of water."
In another moment he said: "We are far enough away from and beyond her now to touch the electric-button and discharge them with safety to ourselves."

OUT ON THE OTHER SIDE.
Then the Peacemaker sought the surface again. The City of Kingston, a thousand feet behind and above her, was steaming up the river as though her captain feared the strange, black object playing around her really had evil designs against her vessel. Those evil designs against her, in the opinion of the three adventurers inside the shell, and they agreed to go ashore. The air in the boat was as pure, apparently, as when they started, and no heat oppressed them. The dial indicated 120 pounds of steam. She had started fifty minutes before with 80 pounds. That showed the working capacity of her chemical engine.

from which she will emerge in two weeks with electric lights and other improvements and conveniences.
The New York Car-Streetcar.
(By telegraph to the Dispatch.)
New York, August 27.—An evening newspaper's exclusive announces that, through the mediation of State-Arbitrator Donovan, an agreement was reached this evening by which the tie-up on the Belt-Line street-railway will be declared off this evening and the cars resume running to-morrow morning.

The "Elk" excursion
to Norfolk and Virginia Beach to-night at 10:30 o'clock via Chesapeake and Ohio railroad promises to be one of the best excursions of the season. The Norfolk Elks will browse with the Richmond Elks. Go with them and see how they do it.

A delightful trip down the river Sunday morning, August 29th, at 10 o'clock, by steamer Norwood.
In which to close out our stock of Boots, Shoes, and Trunks, and we offer them at and below cost for cash. **WILLIAMS & TOWN,** corner Fourth and Broad streets.

Cool off on the decks of steamer Norwood. Leaves at 10 o'clock Sunday morning.
Farmers Wanting Fertilizers
for their wheat and grass crops should communicate with Captain C. G. Sneed, of this city, 106 Schoone Slip, about his celebrated Flamingo Guano, a natural bone phosphate with ammonia which has had wonderful success in the production of these crops.

We will close out to-day a lot of Ladies' Silk-Lace Kid Shoes at \$1.50, old price \$3; Misses' at \$1.25,